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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 087784

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, IR, IZ

SUBJECT: KURDISH REFUGEES FROM IRAQ

REF: TEHRAN'S 3244, 3308, 3461; DEPARTMENT'S 060263

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1. DEPARTMENT SYMPATHETIC TO DIFFICULTIES KURDISH REFU-

GEES ARE FACING IN EFFORTS TO APPLY FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY TO THE UNITED STATES.

2. INS IS PREPARED TO CONSIDER CONDITIONAL ENTRY APPLICATIONS FROM KURDISH REFUGEES ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS IF THEY CAN APPLY AT ESTABLISHED INS PROCESSING CENTERS. THESE REFUGEES CANNOT BE MOVED AHEAD OF OTHER REFUGEES AT SUCH POSTS, BUT WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN IN TURN. WE REALIZE ACCORDING TEHRAN'S 3308, FEW KURDISH REFUGEES ARE LIKELY TO BE ABLE TO OBTAIN ENTRY VISAS TO WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES FOR PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY TO THE UNITED STATES. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT SOME KURDS HAVE REACHED WESTERN EUROPE.

3. IN VIEW OF IRANIAN ATTITUDE REPORTED TEHRAN'S 3461, ONLY PRACTICAL ALTERNATIVE FOR THOSE KURDS STILL IN IRAN WOULD BE ESTABLISHMENT OF INS PROCESSING PROGRAM AT TEHRAN. AS REPORTED PARAGRAPH 1(B) DEPARTMENT'S 06263, ARRANGEMENT FOR INS OFFICER TO PROCEED TO IRAN FOR PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING CONDITIONAL ENTRY APPLICATIONS REQUIRES A DETERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE THAT A REFUGEE SITUATION EXISTS IN IRAN WHICH MERITS SUCH ACTION; THAT SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT IS FEASIBLE AND THAT IT IS IN THE FOREIGN POLICY INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR INS TO UNDERTAKE EXAMINATION OF APPLICANTS FOR CONDITIONAL ENTRY IN IRAN. INVOLVED ARE:

- A. AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE USA AND IRAN AS TO ARRANGEMENTS NECESSARY FOR INS OFFICERS TO INTERROGATE APPLICANTS;
- B. RIGHT OF ACCESS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS OF REFUGEES;
- C. RIGHT TO RETURN REFUGEES TO IRAN WITHIN TWO YEARS IF REFUGEES INELIGIBLE TO REMAIN IN THE US.

4. IN EVENT DETERMINATION COULD BE MADE AND SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES REACHED, THERE WILL STILL REMAIN TO BE CONSIDERED THE MATTER OF ABILITY OF INS TO UNDERTAKE THIS PROJECT. PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE THAT INS WOULD FIND IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT.

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THEREFORE ANY FURTHER STEPS TO ESTABLISH SUCH A PROGRAM WOULD REQUIRE STRONGEST JUSTIFICATION FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE THAT IT IS NECESSARY.

5. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS POSTS COMMENTS ON WHETHER SITUATION OF KURDS IS ONE WHICH JUSTIFIES SUCH DEPARTMENT OF STATE DETERMINATION AND COMMENTS ON LIKELY ATTITUDE OF IRANIAN GOVERNMENT TOWARD ENTERING INTO CONDITIONS RE-

QUIRED IN AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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